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The National Student Assn. said yesterday that withdrawal of Central Intelligence Agency funds had created a financial pinch, but it hoped to stay alive with money from private foundations. Despite public renunciation of clandestine CIA ties, NSA's supervisory board was reported to be secretly considering ways to keep the CIA subsidy. This was denied by an NSA spokesman. Shown here are Eugene Groves (left), president of NSA; Richard Stearns, International Affairs vice president, and Sam Brown, chairman of the board. (UPI Telephoto)

"It couldn't have been very significant—NSA has always taken what we thought was the liberal position on matters. Our local chapter has sponsored war protests — we had a teach-in on China, we sponsored conferences on Black Power, Southern Justice."

Wachtel said when he went to his NSA office on campus yesterday he found a big sign posted on the door. It read "CIA".

Students Stunned by CIA News

By BUD WEIDENTHAL

Downright astonishment was the reaction of student leaders at John Carroll University and Oberlin College when they learned that the National Student Assn. was subsidized by the Central Intelligence Agency.

Both colleges have been affiliated with NSA for several years.

It was clear from inter-

views with the campus leaders that CIA government policies had not vastly influenced NSA.

"We took a strong stand against the war in Vietnam at our national meeting last summer at the University of Illinois. As I recall, it was an overwhelming vote," said Alan Wachtel, chairman of the Oberlin NSA chapter.

TOM MURPHY, president

of the John Carroll Student union for the past year, said he thought the university's membership in NSA was valuable.

"We weren't as active as some other colleges. We didn't send a representative to the convention, but we have been in correspondence with them," said Murphy, who is from Pittsburgh.

"I certainly was surprised to learn that the CIA was involved. Come to think of it, when I read about some of their projects to send students abroad, I wondered where they were getting all that money—now I know."

Wachtel of Great Neck, N. Y., said the CIA revelations have caused quite a stir on the Oberlin campus.

"TO PUT IT MILDLY we were less than enthusiastic to hear that the CIA was financing the organization."